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MAYOR JERRY SANDERS MEDIA ADVISORY

Mayor Announces Repopulation for Areas of North City

Mayor Also Opens One Stop Shop for Fire Relief Efforts

Mayor Sanders has announced that the City of San Diego has opened the following areas of West Rancho Bernardo, Rancho Penasquitos and Santa Luz for repopulation:

The areas are located:

SOUTH of Rancho Bernardo Road (City Limits),
WEST of Interstate 15 (Within City Limits ONLY)
EAST of Rancho Santa Fe Farms Road, and
NORTH of Highway 56.

Three remaining areas remain closed to City residents: North Rancho Bernardo along the east side of I-15, north of Paseo Del Verano Norte, and the communities of Westwood and the San Pasqual Valley. A map of the areas of Rancho Bernardo still closed can be found on the City's website at www.sandiego.gov. The City will announce when those areas will be open for repopulation.

For those whose homes are located in areas still closed, members of the San Diego Police Department will provide escorts to those residents who are in need of specific items such as medicines or items of personal safety. Representatives from the PD are present today and will remain present over the next couple of weeks to provide these escorts. The Local Assistance Center established by the Mayor is the place for residents to come to access a police escort to the areas that are presently closed.

The City **STRONGLY DISCOURAGES** residents of the areas that are closed to attempt to access their homes without a police escort as these areas remain unsafe and may have fire hotspots.

The vast majority of the City is now open for repopulation which is a major step forward toward allowing folks back into their homes and beginning recovery efforts.

MAYOR OPENS LOCAL ASSISTANCE CENTER

The Local Assistance Center opened by the Mayor will be open for business beginning at 3 pm today. The center will be open from 7 am to 8 pm Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm Saturdays and 9 am to 2 pm on Sundays.

The Center is located at the Rancho Bernardo Glassman Recreation Center at 18448 West Bernardo Drive, San Diego, 92127.

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